

AGENDA BILL APPROVAL FORM

Agenda Subject: Resolution No. 4491		Date: May 27, 2009
Department: Legal	Attachments: Resolution No. 4491	Budget Impact:
Administrative Recommendation: City Council adopt Resolution No. 4491.		
Background Summary: <p>This resolution seeks to include a statement of support for the development of the Les Gove Community Campus. The City of Auburn, has, for some time, needed a community center and other amenities that would go along with a community center complex. The City Council, has likewise, been supportive of such efforts. However, under the current economic limitations with which the City is faced, now may not be the best time for the City to move forward, aggressively, in the development of such a community campus plan. The City has developed a Les Gove community campus development plan which would include a community center and an activity center and would be amenities to and coordinate with other facilities at the Les Gove park properties. Even if the City Council cannot take steps to actively move forward with the Les Gove community campus development plan at this point, this resolution, Resolution No. 4491, expresses the City Council's support for the development of such a complex and requests the Mayor to take steps to ready the City to move forward with such plans when the City is able to do so.</p> <p style="margin-top: 20px;">A0601-4 O3.3.2, O5.1.2</p>		
Reviewed by Council & Committees: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Arts Commission <input type="checkbox"/> Airport <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing Examiner <input type="checkbox"/> Human Services <input type="checkbox"/> Park Board <input type="checkbox"/> Planning Comm. </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> COUNCIL COMMITTEES: <input type="checkbox"/> Finance <input type="checkbox"/> Municipal Serv. <input type="checkbox"/> Planning & CD <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ </div> </div>		Reviewed by Departments & Divisions: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Cemetery <input type="checkbox"/> Finance <input type="checkbox"/> Fire <input type="checkbox"/> Legal <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> M&O <input type="checkbox"/> Mayor <input type="checkbox"/> Parks <input type="checkbox"/> Planning <input type="checkbox"/> Police <input type="checkbox"/> Human Resources </div> </div>
Action: Committee Approval: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Council Approval: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Call for Public Hearing ___/___/___ Referred to _____ Until ___/___/___ Tabled _____ Until ___/___/___		
Councilmember: Backus		Staff: Heid
Meeting Date: June 18, 2009		Item Number: VIII.B.1

RESOLUTION NO. 4 4 9 1

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUBURN, WASHINGTON, DIRECTING THE MAYOR TO MOVE FORWARD WITH NECESSARY STEPS TO PUT INTO EFFECT THE CITY OF AUBURN LES GOVE COMMUNITY CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT PLANS

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Auburn holds as a high priority its earnest desire to provide its citizens with quality municipal services, including community meeting resources, parks and recreation programs and excellent park facilities; and

WHEREAS, the City Council also desires to ensure its citizens the availability of important human services, and endeavors to meet the specific needs of its over-all population as well as its population groups, including youth, senior citizens and all other segments of the population; and

WHEREAS, in connection with those priorities and desires, the City Council is desirous of developing the Les Gove Community Campus to include a Community Center, an Activity Center and other amenities in the vicinity of the campus to meet community needs; and

WHEREAS, in connection therewith, the City Council desires, as do many citizens of the City, the City needs a gathering place for the diverse populations in Auburn to interact, including, but not limited to:

- (a) Residents of thirty years and more, like downtown neighborhoods and some of Lea Hill,
- (b) New residents of areas like Lakeland Hills, and the newly annexed areas of Lea Hill and West Hill,
- (c) Low income families, especially single parent ones,
- (d) Fast-growing populations such as the Latino, Eastern European, African, Native American and other diverse ethnic and cultural populations,

- (e) Chamber of Commerce, Business shows, trade associations and other related meetings,
- (f) Family events such as weddings and memorials,
- (g) Fundraising events,
- (h) Recreation programs,
- (i) Youth programs, including recreation and learning,
- (j) Health and wellness activities,
- (k) Performances,
- (l) Social Dances,
- (m) City informational meetings, for example, river flood control measures,
- (n) Emergency shelter, short term,
- (o) Special events, for example, Veteran's Day gatherings,
- (p) Service Club meetings, including, for example, Soroptomist, Rotary, Kiwanis and Lions,
- (q) Tourism promotion, for example, model railroad display,
- (r) Community activity meetings for several hundred people, for example Little League,
- (s) A convenient place for people to interact with Parks, Arts and Recreation staff near their offices,
- (t) Environmentally sustainable building practices educational showcase,
- (u) Banquets,

and other various uses, activities and purposes, that could be accomplished at a City of Auburn Community Center and a City of Auburn Activity Center, or at other facilities intended for the Les Gove Community Campus; and

WHEREAS, even though, in the current economic climate the City was compelled to reject the proposals that had been requested for construction of the Community Center and the Activity Center, that does not dampen the ardor with which the City Council supports the ultimate development and construction of these facilities at the Les Gove Community Campus; and

WHEREAS, the City Council also desires to take advantage of and develop opportunities for partnerships and relationships with other governmental entities, civic organizations and private groups and individuals to accomplish its priorities and desires in development of the Les Gove Community Campus; and

WHEREAS, the City also wishes to explore and develop funding and financing options, including seeking grants and tax credits and bond financing, and any other available financing tools that could help the City to fund the necessary and contemplated improvements at the Les Gove Community Campus; and

WHEREAS, in order for the City's Les Gove Community Campus plans to be implemented, the City Council wishes to give the Mayor the affirmative direction to move forward with necessary and appropriate steps to put into action the Les Gove Community Campus development plan, to arrange financing programs for the plan components, to coordinate with public and private partners and service providers to assure that intended services will be provided and available within the Auburn community.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF AUBURN, WASHINGTON, HEREBY RESOLVES as follows:

Section 1. That it is the City Council's intention that the funding commitment for the Les Gove Community Campus development plan be maintained and that funding options be pursued to enable the City to move forward with the development plan when appropriate funding is identified, expected to be by January 2010.

Section 2. That the Mayor is directed to continue exploring alternatives, options and strategies for funding, developing and implementing the City's Les Gove Community Campus development plan, including, but not limited to, (a) developing financial packages and funding mechanisms, including applying for grants and seeking participation in tax credit, (b) soliciting building/facility design plans, (c) drafting documents and contracts for public bidding, for consulting and construction

service contracts, (d) formalizing agreements with other governmental agencies and with public and private partners, and (e) taking on any other tasks necessary and/or appropriate to ready the City to develop the Les Gove Community Campus.

Section 3. That the Mayor is authorized to implement additional administrative procedures as may be necessary to carry out the directives of this legislation.

Section 4. That this Resolution shall take effect and be in full force upon passage and signatures hereon.

Dated and Signed this _____ day of _____, 2009.


CITY OF AUBURN

PETER B. LEWIS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

Danielle E. Daskam, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Daniel B. Heid, City Attorney